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A New Lark from Northern Rhodesia

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Mirafraga angolensis minyanyae subsp. nov.

Description: differs from nominate *angolensis* Bocage in being lighter above; the red of the crown pinky vinous rather than cinnamon; hind neck and upper mantle greyer, less rusty or sandy yellow; black streaking above less marked, the red areas on the feathers more pinkish vinous, less rufous; the feathers of the back and scapulars with greyish fringes; lower back and rump paler.

Distribution: the Minyanya plain, N.W. Balovale district, Northern Rhodesia.

Type: male adult, collected on the Minyanya plain, Balovale, Northern Rhodesia on 25th June, 1958. In my collection.

Remarks: *M. angolensis* ranges from Central Angola to the Katanga and Mwinilunga. Birds from this area are not wholly homogeneous, but their variation is being studied by Mrs. Hall. I have seen specimens from all these localities, and compared the new race with a series of Mwinilunga birds. When I explored the Minyanya plain in 1943 I missed this species